

### **REMARKS**

Claims 4-16 and 19-32 remain pending in the present application. Claims 1-3, 17 and 18 have been cancelled. Claims 19-32 are new. Basis for the amendments and new claims can be found throughout the specification, claims and drawings originally filed.

Claim 19 is an independent claim which claims a catalyst prepared by the process defined in Claim 4. Claims 20 and 21 are the same as Claims 2 and 3, but are dependent on Claim 19. Claims 22-30 are similar to Claims 7-15 except that they claim the catalyst and not the process. Claims 31 and 32 are similar to Claims 17 and 18 but they now claim the catalyst rather than the process.

Applicants believe that the arguments filed in our May 29, 2007 amendment apply to the amended claims of this amendment and thus the arguments and Declaration are not repeated herein but are incorporated herein by reference.

### **CONCLUSION**

It is believed that all of the stated grounds of rejection have been properly traversed, accommodated, or rendered moot. Applicants therefore respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw all presently outstanding rejections. It is believed that a full and complete response has been made to the outstanding Office Action and the present application is in condition for allowance. Thus, prompt and favorable consideration of this amendment is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (248) 641-1600.

Respectfully submitted,

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